



St George's

Anglican Parish of Gate Pa

All who enter here be reconciled

8th August 2021

Yr B with The Rev'd John Hebenton



As long as
you're with
me I will
never lose
my way

Liturgy Page 456 NZPB

Sentence: Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. *Ephesians 5.1-2*

Prayer for the Day

Bread of life,
you taught us to put away bitterness and anger,
and with tenderhearted kindness
to share the fruit of our labour with the needy.
Strengthen us by your grace,
that in communion with you,
we may forgive one another
and live in love as Christ loved us. **Amen.**

Psalm 130

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Psalm Response: Glory to God – Creator, Word and Spirit

As God always was, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

First Reading:	2 Samuel 18:5-9,15,31-33	Bible Page 255
Second Reading:	Ephesians 4:25-5:2	Bible Page 951
Gospel:	John 6:35, 41-51	Bible Page 86

All are welcome to receive communion
Prayers and anointing for healing are available during communion in the
chapel, at the back of the church.

Theme: Bread of Life Part 2.

So here we are in week two of Jesus the Bread of Life. It is helpful to remember that this story is set at Passover – the festival commemorating God’s liberation of the Hebrew people from slavery in Egypt, and holding the hope of liberation again; and that this conversation occurs after Jesus walked on water - as the Israelites were led across the Red Sea, and after he had fed 5000 in the wilderness – as the Israelites were fed with manna in the wilderness after they had murmured and grumbled against God. John is interpreting Jesus through all these stories and presents Jesus as the bread of life, the new manna from heaven.

Just as those ancient Israelites learnt to trust God and the ways of God through the giving of manna, so too we are invited to learn to trust God and to know the ways of God. And what are ways of God? They are shown in the opening stories in John 6, ways of deep compassion for hungry crowd, generosity in feeding them, ways of justice and life. Jesus met their hunger, and then offered to meet their deepest hungers. He met them in their needs and offered liberation and life. He offers the same to us. We are fed when we join God’s ongoing work of liberation and life.

Prayer

Our community: We pray for the communities of Gate Pa, Greerton, The Lakes, Pyes Pa and Merivale. We particularly pray for the ministry of Centrepoint and Whanau Aroha.

We pray for those who are dying, sick, in hospital or in any other kind of need, parishioners in rest homes and those who receive home communion and any others you hold in your hearts at this time.

Our Church: Today we pray for the people of Mount Maunganui Parish, their clergy, Waiapu Kids St. Mary’s Family Centre Manager, Schools/ Tertiary Students & Staff of the University of Waikato.

Our World: Today we pray for everyone who volunteers for short-term overseas mission trips, those individuals who volunteers to serve as Diocesan representative on the overseas, the new OM-TP Secretary, the Golden Oldies, for the growth and development of the mud bricks project for Fiji.

Notices:



This Sunday (8th August) – **TWO services 8:00am and 9:30am**

We have changed the roster. Please check it.

ONE service only on the 15th of August at 10:00am

TWO services on the 29th of August at 8:00am and 9:30am



AAW Ladies are meeting in the Church lounge at 1.00 pm on Tuesday, 10th August. Hopefully the guest speaker from Sports Bay of Plenty planned for June can make it this time and we will also participate in some gentle exercise. There will be our usual Bring and Buy Sales Table, raffle and afternoon tea. We are presently welcoming new members so any ladies in the congregation wishing to join us please come along.



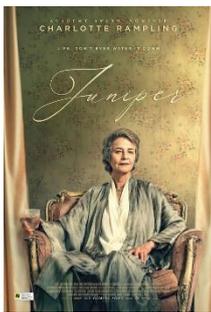
Parish Social Night, Oasis Bar, Corner Cameron Road and Chadwick Rd, Friday 13th August at 5pm.

St George's Day Sunday, 15th of August, after the **10am** service



Join us in a low-key luncheon to celebrate St George's Day as a Parish. \$10 pp (To be paid on the day). Please either fill in the sheet at the front door of the church or let the Parish Office

know you are coming for working out catering numbers. Lunch will kick off at 11.45am with a glass of mulled wine, fresh orange juice or a chilled white wine. All welcome to share this mid-winter gathering, so bring family and friends. Please wear BLUE to celebrate George (one of his colours apparently). Any queries ask Ainsley (579-5172) or Paula (543-0766)



Rialto Movie Fundraiser, Sunday 29 August 1pm, \$15 ticket pp.

Ticket is available at the Parish Office

Juniper- a New Zealand film starring Charlotte Rampling. Sam (17) has been on a self-destructive spiral that could lead to his death. He returns home from boarding school to find his wheelchair-bound English grandmother, Ruth has moved in. Ruth is an ex- war photographer with a lust for life and a love of the bottle. Sam soon

finds himself profoundly confronted by her alcoholic wit and chutzpah. Both strong-willed characters, a battle of supremacy ensues, enabling Sam to embrace life again and for Ruth to face her mortality.



The Parish Prayer Group meet each Friday at 9:30am. If you would like prayer for yourself or a family member, please contact the Rev'd Joyce Crawford (579 4363) or Shirley Scott (571 2450)

This week in the Parish:

Monday 9th August
 Tuesday 10th August 9.30am Holy Communion
 Wednesday 11th August
 Thursday 12th August
 Friday 13th August Prayer Circle meets
5.00pm Parish Social Night, Oasis Bar
 Sunday 15th August **10:00am Service Only**

Service Next Week 15th August (OS20) St. George's Day Celebration

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 Psalm 132:6-10,13-14
 Isa 7:10-15
 Ephesians 4:4-7
 Gospel: Luke 1:46-55 or 2:1-7



Dates to note in your Diary:

- AAW Meet, Tuesday August 10th, St George's Lounge at 1pm
- St. George's Day Celebration Luncheon, Sunday 15th August
- Parish Coffee Meet, Tuesday 24th August
- Rialto Movie, Sunday 29th August
- Next Taizé Service Sunday 3rd October, 7pm
- SPCA Animal Blessing Service - 10th October 2021

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